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REQUEST SOURCE IN APPROVAL FOR "MANILA THE MANILA TIMES IN ENGLISH" AS RENDERED IN THE ABOVE ITEM.

THE MASTHEAD AT THE TOP OF THE FRONT PAGE CARRIES THE WORDS "THE MANILA TIMES" IN THE CENTER. BENEATH THIS ARE PRINTED FROM LEFT TO RIGHT THE FOLLOWING: "VOL XXVIII, NO. 42" WITH "MANILA, PHILIPPINES, MARCH 18, 1986" IN THE CENTER AND "P2.00 IN METRO MANILA" ON THE FAR RIGHT.

ON THE EDITORIAL PAGE IN THE UPPER LEFTHAND CORNER IN A BOX THE ADDRESS FOR THE OFFICES OF THE NEWSPAPER IS GIVEN AS "77 SCOUT OJEDA ST., QUEZON CITY."

IN AN ADVERTISEMENT IN THE LOWER RIGHTHAND CORNER OF PAGE 5 ENTITLED "THE MANILA TIMES IS BACK" THE FOLLOWING IS PRINTED: "IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK. WE ARE PICKING UP FROM WHERE WE LEFT OFF ON SEPT. 23, 1972. IT WAS THE DAY OUR LAST ISSUE CAME OUT..." "WE WILL BE FAIR AND INDEPENDENT. AND WE INTEND TO PROVIDE A FORUM FOR DIVERSE VIEWS." THE MANILA TIMES WAS THE PHILIPPINES LARGEST PAPER BEFORE THE IMPOSITION OF MARTIAL LAW BY MARCOS IN 1972.

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REQUEST SOURCE IPT APPROVAL FOR THE PHILIPPINE NEWSPAPER "MANILA THE NEW PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS IN ENGLISH" AS RENDERED IN THE ABOVE ITEM.

ANOTHER ESTABLISHED PHILIPPINE NEWSPAPER HAS CHANGED ITS NAME WITH ITS TAKEOVER BY EMPLOYEES. IN THE 19 MARCH 1986 ISSUE ON PAGE ONE OF THIS PAPER THE FOLLOWING IS PUBLISHED: "DAILY EXPRESS EMPLOYEES TOOK OVER THIS NEWSPAPER YESTERDAY, SERVING NOTICE THAT THE 14-YEAR-OLD PUBLICATION IS NOW FREED OF ITS PAST COMMITMENTS."

THE MASTHEAD AT THE TOP OF THE FRONT PAGE OF THE 19 MARCH ISSUE CARRIES "THE NEW PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS" ON THE LEFTHAND SIDE. THE WORDS "CITY EDITION" ARE PRINTED ABOVE THE NEWSPAPER'S NAME. THE 19 MARCH ISSUE ALSO CARRIES THE WORDS "SPECIAL LIBERATION ISSUE" ON THE RICHTHAND SIDE OF THE MASTHEAD; THESE WORDS DO NOT APPEAR IN THE 20 MARCH ISSUE.

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PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS Takeover Gets Backing

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Manila THE NEW PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS in English 20 Mar 86 p 1.

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((Text)) Employees of the PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS who took over Tuesday the management of the 14-year-old newspaper yesterday received strong backing from various sectors which described the move as legal and a model that others should emulate.

Former Labor Minister Blas F. Ople led the supporters, saying that the decision of the government to sequester the EXPRESS "reveals a reckless streak in the existing revolutionary government which mocks its own solemn avowals of respect for human rights."

The employees took over the company after the government announced Sunday a plan to sequester DAILY EXPRESS and TIMES JOURNAL to flush out the real owners, whom it suspects of having used ill-gotten wealth to publish the newspapers.

Following the EXPRESS' example, TIMES JOURNAL EMPLOYEES were reported yesterday to be forming a delegation to meet their

man... seek an audience with the Aquino government.
... sent their support were 'ANG PAHAYAGANG MALAYA'
president-publisher Jose G. Burges Jr., National Press Club
((NPC)) President Antonio Nieve, BULLETIN TODAY Employees Union,
EXPRESS columnist Teodoro F. Valencia and colleagues in the media
industry.

Other groups which expressed support include: Syvel's, couturier
Ben Farrales, the Beneficto-run Aduana group of companies, Fairmart,
Mr. and Mrs. Rivera and Ms. Carol Zaragoza.

In a letter to Neal H. Cruz, officer-in-charge of the DAILY
EXPRESS, Ople, who is the provisional chairman of the Partido
Nacionalista ng Philipinas, called the takeover as an "innovative
exercise of rights."

"The action of the union in defense of their jobs and their right
to exist has created a model others similarly situated may well
emulate," he said.

Nieve said the takeover "is a triumph for the Filipino
journalists" and "serves as an example of what can be done to ease
the economic plight of the traditionally underpaid and overworked
newspapermen."

THE EXPRESS employees, in yesterday's second day of the takeover,
issued a statement that any move by the government to sequester the
company would be baseless and unnecessary. The employees reminded
the Aquino government that they now own the EXPRESS.

Round-the-clock vigil has been held by the employees, who were
joined by NPC members, media guilds and BULLETIN union workers.

"We will not remove the barricades until the government comes
out with a definite stand on the planned takeover," said Melanio
Mauricio, president of the PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS Employees Union.

Mauricio also denied reports that the protest action of the union

was instigated by management to protect its interests.

"It was a collective decision of the employees who felt that the takeover was the only way to prevent the company from falling into the hands of cronies of the new administration."

Thus far, the Aquino government has not issued any formal statement.

Employees of two other beleaguered companies, the Eastern Telecommunications Philippines and Philippine Communications Satellite Corp., picketed yesterday their building at Telecoms Plaza, Makati to protest the appointment of Carlos Farrales as officer-in-charge of four telecommunications companies ordered sequestered last Friday.

The union members said Farrales "has an unsavory track record" and does not have the trust and confidence of labor and management.

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Philippines: Employees Take Over DAILY EXPRESS

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Manila THE NEW PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS in English 19 Mar 86

pp 1, 4 (tentative)

((Text)) DAILY EXPRESS employees took over this newspaper yesterday, serving notice that the 14-year-old publication is now freed of its past commitments.

The decision to control and run the paper, arrived at after much soulsearching, was firm and unanimous. It is also an expression of the collective will of the employees, from the editors to the people manning the presses, that, henceforth, they will collectively publish a newspaper that is accurate in facts and sober in statement and is not partisan.

We will do our best to follow strictly journalistic ethics. We will subscribe to the C. P. Snow dictum that facts are sacred and opinions are free. And precisely because opinions are such,

we will label them as such, to better guide the reader in his search for information and for truth.

Ours is a new paper, a revolutionary paper, in many ways. But our common dream is as old as the ideal of Pericles, who said that democracy is democracy, "because it is in the hands not of the few but of the many." The EXPRESS is now a cooperative owned and run by its employees.

Thus, under the new set-up, any takeover by the government will be an act of vengeance against what it believes or perceives to be its enemies, or even a sinister plot to stop the paper, and eventually hand it over to emerging cronies. Sequestration will therefore be a tyrannical act, recalling the excesses of old cronies, and raising fears of the emergence of new ones.

It is "business as usual" at the EXPRESS, and we appeal to all concerned, especially those in the business community, to extend their support in our crusade for a better day for the media.

To the reader, therefore, we say: The DAILY EXPRESS is now in the hands of many, sharing a common vision, a common commitment.

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